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For: **NOVEL LINOLEUM STRUCTURE** )  
**AND METHOD FOR PRODUCING** )  
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

Please amend the subject application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claim 15 without prejudice or disclaimer.

Please amend the claims as follows:

1. (Amended) [Process] A process for producing a patterned flexible linoleum sheet material comprising the steps of:

[-] dispersing at least one type of [unicolored or multicolored] mixed mass particles onto at least one side of a [unicolored or multicolored] rolled linoleum sheet; and

[-] substantially warp-free pressing [of] the mixed mass particles into the rolled linoleum sheet.

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